

ELEMENTARY SCOPE AND SEQUENCE 2023-2024

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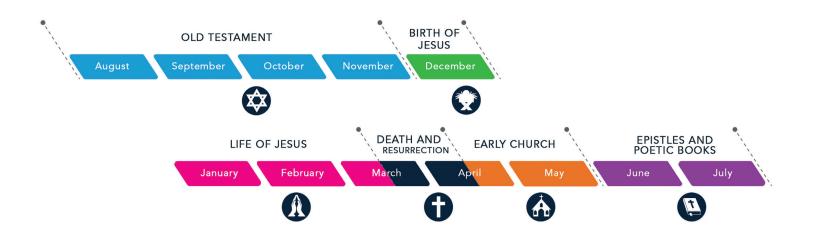




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About the GO! Elementary Scope and Sequence:

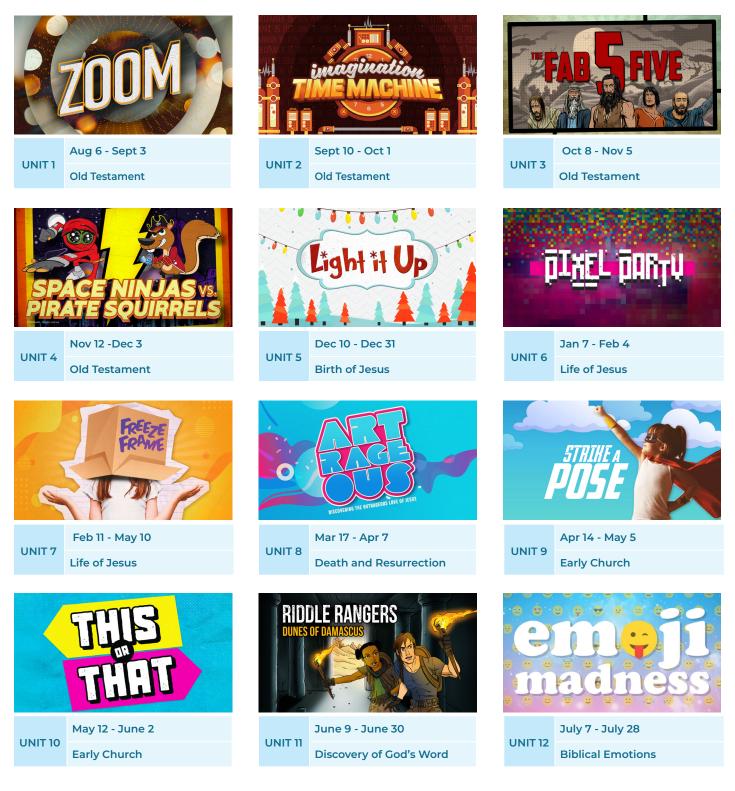
Each year of the GO! Scope and Sequence takes kids on a chronological journey through the entire Bible with different stories and with a different emphasis. During the 2023-2024 ministry year, kids will see and experience both God's people and promises through the Big Bible Story, but there will be a special emphasis on God's power. From the first days of creation to the resurrection of Jesus and beyond, God has exhibited His omnipotence in the protection, provision and pursuit of His people. Kids will discover that God still exhibits his power through the Holy Spirit by drawing us into a saving relationship with Him. There will be glimpses of God's salvation plan throughout the year, but there will be three-four lessons where that plan is communicated clearly and kids will have an opportunity to respond. Those lessons are denoted with *** next to the lesson title.





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The Year at a Glance



*Units become available for download 2 months before the "use date" of the first lesson in the unit.



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Unit 1 ZOOM



Zoom in close! Well, not too close—you'll go cross-eyed! During the "Zoom" series, kids will zoom in close (really close) to a mystery picture. As the picture zooms out, they'll race to identify it. When each mystery picture becomes clear, so will God's word. Every week we'll zoom in close to one of the first 5 books of the Bible—Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, and Deuteronomy. We'll take a close look at some of the key stories in each book. But we'll also zoom out to see what each book, as a whole, shows us about the character of God.

1.1	The Book of Genesis	Key Verse: Romans 8:39b
Aug 6	Big Idea: Jesus defeated sin, so we can have a friendship with God.	Bible Basis: Genesis
1.2	The Book of Exodus	Key Verse: Philippians 4:19
Aug 13	Big Idea: God is our provider, so we can trust that He will give us all we need.	Bible Basis: Exodus
1.3	The Book of Leviticus	Key Verse: 1 John 2:2
Aug 20	Big Idea: Jesus is the ultimate atonement, so we can put our faith in Him.	Bible Basis: Leviticus
1.4	The Book of Numbers	Key Verse: Romans 6:23
Aug 27	Big Idea: God takes sin seriously, so we should live our life His way.	Bible Basis: Numbers
1.5	The Book of Deuteronomy	Key Verse: Deuteronomy 32:7
Sept 3	Big Idea: God takes care of us, so we should remember the many things He has done.	Bible Basis: Deuteronomy

Unit 2 IMAGINATION TIME MACHINE



Welcome aboard the Imagination Time Machine—a contraption that can take you not only any-where, but anywhen! The only limitation is your own imagination! During the "Imagination Time Machine" series, kids will join Max on a journey through the Bible. Our imagination destination: The Promised Land. Kids will get to experience firsthand what it was like to be an Israelite by imagining the sights, sounds, smells, feelings, and tastes of life in the land God

2.1	Rahab Helps the Spies	Key Verse: James 2:17
Sept 10	Big Idea: God wants us to put our faith into action.	Bible Basis: Joshua 2
2.2	The Sun Stands Still	Key Verse: Psalm 34:4
Sept 17	Big Idea: God has power over all things, so we can battle our fear with faith.	Bible Basis: Joshua 9-10
2.3	Solomon Builds the Temple	Key Verse: Ephesians 2:22
Sept 24	Big Idea: The Holy Spirit lives within the Church, so we should make meeting together our #1 priority.	Bible Basis: 1 Kings 5-9
2.4	The Kingdom Divided	Key Verse: James 4:1
Oct 1	Big Idea: Sin tears God's people apart, so we should confess and turn away from our sinful desires.	Bible Basis: 1 Kings 11:1-12:24



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Unit 3 THE FAB FIVE



In a world where all but a few have turned away from God, the "Fab Five" remain faithful. These five prophets, Elijah, Elisha, Jonah, Jeremiah, and Daniel, have the power to see into the future and the courage to warn Israel about the error of their ways. During "The Fab Five" series, kids will go on a totally true comic book adventure through the Bible to learn about these five fabulous prophets from the Old Testament. Best of all, the kids will get to draw the comic book pictures themselves while discovering what it means to be faithful to the one and only God.

3.1	Elijah vs. the Prophets of Baal	Key Verse: Exodus 20:3
Oct 8	Big Idea: The Lord is the one and only God, so we can put Him first in our life.	Bible Basis: 1 Kings 18:16-39
3.2	Elisha and Naaman***	Key Verse: Ephesians 2:8
Oct 15	Big Idea: God's grace is a free gift, so we can go to Him to have our sins washed clean.	Bible Basis: 2 Kings 5:1-16
3.3	Jonah and the Giant Fish	Key Verse: 2 Peter 3:9
Oct 22	Big Idea: God is patient, so we can go to Him for a second chance.	Bible Basis: Jonah 1-3
3.4	Jeremiah and the Fall of Judah	Key Verse: Psalm 34:18
Oct 29	Big Idea: God is close to people with broken hearts, so we can find comfort in Him when we're sad.	Bible Basis: Jer. 27-28, 37-44; Jer. 27-28, 37-44; 2 Kings 25; Lamentations 1
3.5	Daniel and the Deadly Dream	Key Verse: James 1:17a
Nov 5	Big Idea: God is the giver of all good things, so we can give Him the glory.	Bible Basis: Daniel 1-2

Unit 4 SPACE NINJAS VS. PIRATE SQUIRRELS



It's the distant future, the year 5,000, and a long lost stinky sneaker has been discovered. It's the mythical shoe of Sir Willy Wonky, and legend has it that one sniff of this foul footwear makes everything you eat taste like chocolate. During the "Space Ninjas vs. Pirate Squirrels" series, small groups will be divided into two teams and will battle for the putrid penny loafer. All the while kids will discover stories of God's faithfulness and power through the exile of His people into a foreign and hostile land.

4.1	Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego	Key Verse: Matthew 5:10
Nov 12	Big Idea: God blesses us when we suffer for doing what is right, so we can stand up for Him.	Bible Basis: Daniel 3
4.2	Daniel and the Lion's Den	Key Verse: Exodus 23:2a
Nov 19	Big Idea: God's wants to be the leader of your life, so you should follow Him instead of the crowd.	Bible Basis: Daniel 6
4.3	Queen Esther	Key Verse: Philippians 2:13
Nov 26	Big Idea: God has a purpose for my life and wants to do something good through me.	Bible Basis: Esther
4.4	Nehemiah Rebuilds the Wall	Key Verse: Ecclesiastes 4:9
Dec 3	Big Idea: God wants us to work together to build His kingdom.	Bible Basis: Nehemiah



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Unit 5 LIGHT IT UP



There are so many things to love about Christmas—music, presents, decorations, bad sweaters, and crazy uncle Sal dressed as Santa! And to top it all, the twinkling lights. Christmas is sometimes referred to as the season of light. Not just because of the colorful lights you see hanging on houses and trees, but because we celebrate the birth of Jesus—the Light of the World. During "Light It Up," kids will get clues about the contents of a present. At the flip of a switch, the present will light up, magically revealing the contents and shedding light on the amazing story of Jesus' birth.

5.1	Zechariah and Elizabeth	Key Verse: Psalm 145:8
Dec 10	Big Idea: God is gracious, so we can find joy in the gift of His Son.	Bible Basis: Luke 1:5-25
5.2	John the Baptist is Born	Key Verse: Psalm 51:10
Dec 17	Big Idea: Jesus is the reason we celebrate Christmas, so we can prepare our hearts for Him.	Bible Basis: Luke 1:57-80
5.3	The Greatest Gift: Jesus is Born	Key Verse: John 3:16
Dec 24	Big Idea: Jesus is the greatest Christmas gift of all time, so we can give glory and praise to God.	Bible Basis: Matt. 1:18-25; Luke 2:1-20
5.4	Wise Men Worship the King of Kings	Key Verse: Matthew 2:2
Dec 31	Big Idea: Jesus is the King of Kings and worthy of our worship.	Bible Basis: Matthew 2:1-12

Unit 6 PIXEL PARTY



There ain't no party like a "Pixel Party!" Hold up, wait a minute—you've never heard of a "Pixel Party?" Let's fix that! A single pixel by itself is nothing too special, it's just a small square. But when you put a bunch of those pixels together, they combine to form a picture. During the "Pixel Party," kids will use colored sticky notes to form pictures that help tell the Big Bible Story. Moreover, as kids hear stories from the Gospels about life-changing encounters with Jesus, they'll get a picture of the incredible love that Jesus has for us.

6.1	Jesus and Nicodemus***	Key Verse: John 3:3
Jan 7	Big Idea: Heaven is for those who become born again followers of Jesus.	Bible Basis: John 3:1-21
6.2	Jesus and Simon the Pharisee	Key Verse: Micah 7:19b
Jan 14	Big Idea: God's forgiveness is as big as the ocean, so we can bring Him our Mt. Everest of mess-ups.	Bible Basis: Luke 7:34-50
6.3	Jesus and the Blind Man	Key Verse: Psalm 119:18
Jan 21	Big Idea: Jesus can open our eyes to see that He is the Son of God.	Bible Basis: John 9
6.4	Jesus, Mary and Martha	Key Verse: Matthew 6:33a
Jan 28	Big Idea: Jesus is priority #1, so we can make time for Him first.	Bible Basis: Luke 10:38-42
6.5	Jesus and Zacchaeus	Key Verse: John 13:34b
Feb 4	Big Idea: Jesus doesn't look down on people, so we shouldn't either.	Bible Basis: Luke 19:1-10

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Unit 7 FREEZE FRAME



"Your face will freeze like that!" It's a phrase that's been uttered by more than a few moms. Fortunately, for most of us, it didn't prove true—until now! During "Freeze Frame," kids will place the patented Freeze Frame Box on their head. When the curtain is lifted and their face is revealed, it will be frozen in one of many different ways. Whether it's furious or freaked-out, their frozen face will say it all as we look at the miracles of Jesus and discover what it's like to have the power of Jesus in our life.

7.1	Jesus Calms the Storm	Key Verse: Lamentations 3:57
Feb 11	Big Idea: Jesus helps us sail through the "storms" of life without falling into fear.	Bible Basis: Matthew 8:23-27; Mark 4:35-41; Luke 8:22-25
7.2	Jesus Drives Out the Evil Spirits	Key Verse: Psalm 23:4a
Feb 18	Big Idea: Jesus is more powerful than the devil, so we don't need to be afraid of evil.	Bible Basis: Mark 5:1-20
7.3	Jesus Raises a Dead Girl	Key Verse: Revelation 21:4a
Feb 25	Big Idea: Jesus has power over sickness and death, so we can pray to Him for healing.	Bible Basis: Mark 5:35-43
7.4	Jesus Feeds 5,000	Key Verse: Ephesians 3:20
Mar 3	Big Idea: Jesus has the power to provide, so we can go to Him with our needs.	Bible Basis: Mark 6:30-44; John 6:1-14
7.5	Jesus Walks on Water	Key Verse: Hebrews 12:2a
Mar 10	Big Idea: Jesus has power over our problems, so we can look to Him in times of trouble.	Bible Basis: Mark 6:45-52; Matt. 14:22-36; Jn. 6:16-21

Unit 8

ARTRAGEOUS



Shhh...listen carefully. Do you hear that voice coming from inside of you? Does it have a slightly French accent? If so, it's probably your inner artist. God has put one in all of us and it's screaming to get out! That is—until now! During "Artrageous," kids will have a chance to unleash the artist inside of them by using all kinds of art to tell the Easter story and to picture the outrageous love that Jesus has for us.

8.1	Garden of Gethsemane	Key Verse: 1 Peter 5:7
Mar 17	Big Idea: God cares about us, so we can turn our worries over to Him through prayer.	Bible Basis: Matt. 26:36-56; Luke 22:40-53; John 18:1-11
8.2	Peter Denies Knowing Jesus	Key Verse: Romans 1:16
Mar 24	Big Idea: Jesus saves us from sin, so we can boldly tell others that "I'm with Him!"	Bible Basis: Luke 22:31-34, 54-56
8.3	Easter: Jesus Dies and Rises Again	Key Verse: Romans 6:4b
Mar 31	Big Idea: Jesus is alive, so we can live a new life in Him.	Bible Basis: Matt. 27:27-28:10
8.4	Jesus' Power over Sin and Death***	Key Verse: Romans 10:13
Apr 7	Big Idea: Jesus has power over sin and death, so we can call on Him to be saved.	Bible Basis: Romans 1-10

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Unit 9 STRIKE A POSE



Look up in the sky. It's a bird! It's a plane! It's...just a kid posing as Superman! When kids strike a pose, they can become just about anything—a superhero, a prehistoric monster, even a slice of pizza. They can also become characters in the Big Bible Story. During "Strike a Pose," kids will be pushed, pulled, and shaped into different poses to help tell the stories of how the early church was started and exploded into the world. More than that, kids will learn how they can help build God's church today.

9.1	Jesus Forgives Peter	Key Verse: Matthew 16:18
Apr 14	Big Idea: Jesus wants us to build His church, even though we're not perfect.	Bible Basis: John 21; Luke 24:50-53
9.2	The Pentecost	Key Verse: John 14:26
Apr 21	Big Idea: The Holy Spirit gives us a new heart and helps us follow Jesus.	Bible Basis: Acts 2:1-41
9.3	Barnabas the Encourager	Key Verse: 1 Thess. 5:11a
April 28	Big Idea: God wants us to build His church by encouraging others.	Bible Basis: Acts 4:32-37; 9:20-31; 11:19-26
9.4	Peter Escapes Prison	Key Verse: 1 John 5:14
May 5	Big Idea: God says "yes" when we ask for things that please Him.	Bible Basis: Acts 12:1-19

Unit 10 THIS OR THAT



Paper or plastic. Chocolate or vanilla. Mullet or Mohawk. Life is filled with tough "this or that" choices! During the "This or That" series, kids will hear a portion of the Big Bible Story, then they'll have to predict what happened next, this or that. Did Timothy join the mission or did he wait until he was older? Did Paul jump ship or did he ride out the storm? All the while, kids will hear how God built His church by helping ordinary people make extraordinary decisions. Moreover, they'll discover that they too can make bold choices that help build the church today.

10.1	The Stoning of Stephen	Key Verse: Psalm 119:11
May 12	Big Idea: God's Word helps us choose the right path.	Bible Basis: Acts 6:8-8:1
10.2	Timothy is Chosen	Key Verse: 1 Timothy 4:12
May 19	Big Idea: Jesus wants me to be an example to others, even though I'm young.	Bible Basis: Acts 16:1-3; 1 Timothy 4:11-12
10.3	Paul is Shipwrecked	Key Verse: 2 Corinthians 12:9
May 26	Big Idea: God's power is strong when I am weak.	Bible Basis: Acts 27
10.4	God's Story in Our Life	Key Verse: Galatians 3:26
June 2	Big Idea: God's story of love and redemption continues today through the lives of His children.	Bible Basis: Galatians 3:23-29



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Unit 11 RIDDLE RANGERS: DUNES OF DAMASCUS



To their friends and family, they are Zack and Jada—two ordinary kids who love to do ordinary things. But when they combine forces, they are the "Riddle Rangers"—an extraordinary duo who travel the world, solving riddles with guidance from Prof. Covington. Their most recent adventure has taken them to the "Dunes of Damascus" where mysterious riddles have been discovered in a long lost ancient tomb. With the help of the kids, Zack and Jada will have to race to crack the codes before the treasure hungry grave robbers get ahold of them. It's an adventure that ultimately leads kids to discovering the greatest treasure is God's Word.

11.1	Spiritual Gifts	Key Verse: 1 Peter 4:10b
June 9	Big Idea: The Holy Spirit gives us a spiritual gift, so we can help others grow close to God.	Bible Basis: 1 Corinthians 12
11.2	Love is	Key Verse: 1 Cor. 13:13
June 16	Big Idea: God wants us to be good at the greatest thing, so we should show love to God and others.	Bible Basis: 1 Corinthians 13
11.3	Armor of God	Key Verse: Ephesians 6:11
June 23	Big Idea: God gives us His armor so that we can stand up to the devil's temptation.	Bible Basis: Eph. 6:10-18
11.4	Run the Race	Key Verse: Philippians 3:14
June 30	Big Idea: Jesus is the ultimate prize, so we can throw off our sins and run to Him.	Bible Basis: 1 Corinthians 9:24-27; Hebrews 12:1-3

Unit 12

EMOJI MADNESS



Who doesn't love a good emoji?! Happy, sad, scared, or mad—we can show people how we're feeling with just one little picture. Emoji's are also the perfect way to unpack the Book of Psalms! During "Emoji Madness," kids will use different emoji's to tell the Bible story and to discover how God helps us manage our emotions.

12.1	Elisha's Servant is Afraid	Key Verse: Psalm 34:4
July 7	Big Idea: God is with us when we're afraid, so we can pray that He'll open our eyes.	Bible Basis: 2 Kings 6:8-22
12.2	Ezra Brings Joy Back to Israel	Key Verse: Psalm 119:111
July 14	Big Idea: God's Word brings joy to everyone who understands it.	Bible Basis: Nehemiah 8
12.3	King Ahab's Anger	Key Verse: Psalm 37:8
July 21	Big Idea: God desires peace, so we can turn away from anger.	Bible Basis: 1 Kings 21
12.4	Making Peace with Others	Key Verse: Psalm 34:14
July 28	Big Idea: Jesus is the Good Shepherd who makes peace with us, so I can make peace with others.	Bible Basis: Matt. 18:10-20